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Honorable Charles S. Coody Chief U.S. Magistrate Judge One Church Street Montgomery, Alabama 36104 BY HAND DELIVERY

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Re: Clarence Ford

Dear Judge Coody:

Our office has been contacted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Natham Stump, regarding appointment of counsel for Mr. Ford, who is a possible target in an investigation of sale of counterfeit DVDs.

Mr. Ford has responded to a target letter from Mr. Stump and has contacted our office. If possible, Mr. Fordl wishes to resolve this matter prior to indictment and is unable to afford counsel. A financial affidavit signed by Mr. Ford is enclosed with this letter.

I am therefore requesting that appointment of counsel be permitted by the Court. It is my understanding that our office would be able to accept an appointment in this case.

 $Please \ let \ me \ know \ if you \ need \ any \ additional \ information. \ Thank \ you \ for \ your \ consideration \ of \ this \ request.$

Christine A Freeman

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cc: Nathan Stump, Esq.